



## *H.C.D.A. - H.O.R.C. Happenings - February 2016*

### **Huntington Opportunity Resource Center & Huntington Business Incubator Newsletter**

#### **About us...**

The Huntington Community Development Agency (HCDA or CDA Main) located at Town Hall, Suite 309, serves to meet the needs of low-moderate income residents through numerous programs and services. In addition to assisting residents with affordable housing. One of CDA's most popular program is the Home Rehabilitation Program that provides income-qualified individuals and families with deferred or low interest financing to address needed home improvements. To learn more about the Home Rehabilitation Program or other assistance, please call Heather Warringer at (631) 351-2881.



#### ***The Town of Huntington Community Development Agency (HCDA)***

The Town of Huntington Community Development Agency conducted a lottery for three affordable rental units at the Creekside by the Harbor development on January 28th, setting the order in which the 91 applicants will go through the next step in the qualification process.

The next step in the process is a credit check, which will be done by Creekside management. Persons who pass the credit check will have to submit a formal application with required documents to the Huntington Community Development Agency. If approved by HCDA, the applicant will then be offered a unit. It is expected that the three winners will be able to move in sometime in the early Spring.

The lottery results can be viewed on the Town's website.

<http://www.huntingtonny.gov/cda>



We are temporarily and conveniently located at 1268 New York Ave, Huntington Station, NY 11746. Stop by or give us a call at (631) 385-2305. Our hours of operation are Monday through Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. See you soon!

#### **Upcoming Events**

##### **Tuesday February 9, 2016**

The South Huntington Public Library will hold a Job Fair between 10am -1pm No registration required

##### **Wednesday, February 17, 2016**

Lets Zumba! St. Joseph's College is holding a Zumba Fitness class open to all from 6pm-8pm

##### **Tuesday February 23, 2016**

St. Joseph's College will be holding a Social Media: LinkedIn - For Your Personal & Business Workshop 6pm-8pm

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## AT THE RESOURCE CENTER

### Zumba Fitness

Huntington Opportunity Resource Center  
 "Biz Inc. & HORC" in partnership with St. Joseph's College  
 SEMINAR AND WORKSHOP SERIES

LET'S ZUMBA TONIGHT!



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2016  
 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.  
 1264 New York Avenue, Huntington Station, NY 11746

This Interactive workshop invites attendees to get up and move! Join in on the Zumba Craze while boosting your energy and creativity levels!

Registration is FREE RSVP to Michele Foulke at 631-385-2305 or by email to: MFoulke@HuntingtonNY.gov

## Navigate Social Media in a Breeze with this Seminar

Social Media has become a huge part of our lives. Come join us for this seminar that aims to provide attendees with practical uses and tools that may help you personally in your job search, help your current business or jump start a new one.

Registration is FREE! RSVP to Michele Foulke at 631-385-2305 or by e-mail at mfoulke@huntingtonny.gov

Huntington Business Incubator  
 "Biz Inc" in partnership with St. Joseph's College  
 SEMINAR AND WORKSHOP SERIES

Social Media for your Business or Skill: Linked In



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2016  
 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. Seminar  
 1268 NEW YORK AVENUE, HUNTINGTON STATION, NY

## National Grid Helping Long Islanders



The Huntington Opportunity Resource Center in partnership with National Grid of Long Island. H.O.R.C is proud to announce that a Consumer Advocate will be **on-site on the first Thursday of each Month** to provide guidance and assistance in applying for various National Grid and Social Services programs for customers experiencing financial problems.

Come in or call (631) 385-2305 for an appointment!

## Need a phone?



Assurance Wireless is at the Huntington Opportunity Resource Center every **1st and 3rd Thursday of the month**.

Come to the Huntington Opportunity Resource Center to find out if you qualify for a FREE phone!!! For more information, please call 631-385-2305.

## COME AND MEET WITH THE SUFFOLK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

The Department of Social Services will be at the Huntington Opportunity Resource Center located at 1268 New York Ave, Huntington Station, NY 11746.

Assistance in HEAP, Childcare, Housing, Food Stamps (SNAP), Health Insurance and much more!!!

To schedule an appointment, please call **(631) 385-2305**.

### DSS On-site Days/Hours

**Every 1st and 4th Thursday of the Month 9-6**

&

**The 2nd and 3rd Thursday of the Month 9am to 4:30pm**

## PSEG Long Island is at the Resource Center!



The Huntington Opportunity Resource Center in partnership with PSEG of Long Island is proud to announce that a Consumer Advocate will now be on-site **every Thursday from 9 am to 5 pm** to provide guidance and assistance in applying for various PSEG LI and Social Services programs for customer experiencing financial problems. Come in or call **(631) 385-2305** for an appointment!

## Find Out If You Or Someone In Your Family Is Eligible For Various Medicaid Programs

Aged? Blind? Or disabled? Know someone who is? The Nassau Suffolk Hospital Council will be at Huntington Opportunity Resource Center **once a month, every second Thursday from 10 am to 2 pm** to assist those in applying for various Medicaid Programs.

For more information, please call H.O.R.C **631-385-2305** or call them directly at **(631) 656-9763** you can also visit [www.coverage4healthcare.com](http://www.coverage4healthcare.com)



## COME AND MEET WITH THE SUFFOLK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Assistance with: Resumes/Cover Letters, vocational training, job search, job opportunities and much more!!!

Come to the Huntington Opportunity Resource Center located at 1268 New York Ave, Huntington Station, NY 11746 to meet with a DOL representative.

### DOL On-Site Days/Hours

*Every Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.*

## Everyone Deserves A Second Chance...

Don't let your past determine your future!!! Call the Resource Center today at **(631) 385-2305** to find out about the Breaking Barriers Pro Bono Assistance Project and how they can assist you or someone you know clean up their "Rap Sheet" and how to apply for Certificates of Relief from Disabilities or Good Conduct.



***Project Warmth*** is United Way's emergency energy one-time fuel and fuel-related assistance program to help families and individuals with heat related crises during the winter months until program funds are exhausted. The ***program started on December 1, 2015.*** For more information, contact United Way by dialing 211 or come into the Resource Center to apply.

**NYS Department of Taxation and Finance** will be on-site at the Huntington Opportunity Center temporarily located at 1268 New York Ave Huntington Station, NY 11746 every ***Tuesday starting February 3rd from 9:30 am-3:30 pm***

**What you will need to bring:** \*A copy of last years tax return \*Photo ID (such as Drivers License) \*Proof of Income (W-2,1098,1099 and any other document showing additional income) \*Forms 1095-A,B,C affordable healthcare statement \*Health Insurance Exemption Certificate (if received) \*Information related to any credits that you are claiming \*Bank account and routing numbers (for direct deposit) \*Your e-file PIN (if you previously e-filed)

If you have any questions call 1-800-906-9887

For an appointment call (631)385-2305  
Walk-ins welcome



## NO PAPER, NO PROBLEM

**E-file to get your  
tax refund faster!**  
**Our online filing  
program is the free,  
safe, and accurate  
way to file**

If your income is under \$62,000,  
you qualify to receive  
**FREE ONLINE TAX RETURN  
FILING ASSISTANCE.**

Volunteers from the New York State Tax Department will guide you through tax preparation software available on our website as you prepare and e-file your federal and state income tax returns at no charge.



## INFORMATION FROM SUFFOLK COUNTY

### ONSITE RECRUITMENT

At the Suffolk County One-Stop Employment Center

300 CENTER DRIVE, RIVERHEAD, NY 11901



Monday  
February 8, 2016  
9:30am – 1:00pm

Utopia Home Care Has Immediate Openings For:

**Certified Home Health Aides**  
**Personal Care Aides**



Halo Network INC will be providing job readiness assistance for the **Fresh Start Career Expo**. The session will provide individuals with the information needed to have the confidence to rejoin the workforce and have the tools to be successful.

Individuals will be assisted in ~resume writing and interviewing skills ~ Identifying and Managing Barriers ~Communication with you Supervisor.

You will also have the opportunity to visit **Career Couture** for interview attire

Please Call (631)789-7373 to set up an appointment



### JOB READINESS TRAINING

February 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>

9-12pm

at the Suffolk County One-Stop Employment Center  
725 Veterans Memorial Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788

### ONSITE RECRUITMENT

At the Suffolk County One-Stop Employment Center  
725 Veterans Memorial Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788



Thursday  
February 11, 2016  
9:00am – 12:00pm

The Odyssey Group provides professional recruitment and staffing services. They will be having on-site recruitment for multiple jobs in all sorts of industries. Including: Manufacturing, servers &waiter, Appointment setting, and QA positions

Visit [www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/Labor.aspx](http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/Labor.aspx) and click on “on-site” to view full flyer

All Staff Healthcare Agency is recruiting for Certified Nursing Assistant/CNA positions. There are currently 17 job openings available. Applicants must have a NYS CNA Certificate to qualify.

To view full flyer with additional information visit [www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/Labor.aspx](http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/Labor.aspx) and click on “on-site”

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At the Suffolk County One-Stop Employment Center  
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Tuesday February 9, 2016 9:00am – 12:00pm

# CAREER QUEST



## Careers in Civil Service

*Join Us For An In Depth Discussion About Civil Service Employment*

*Presented at the...*

**Suffolk County One-Stop Employment Center**  
725 Veterans Memorial Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2016**

Program Starts at 9:30am

A representative from the New York State Small Business Development Center will discuss how to start your own business and become a small business owner.

See any of our counselors, or phone (631) 853-6600 to-day to reserve your spot!

Plan to arrive early. Space is Limited ... Must be pre-registered Late arrivals are not permitted...

A Representative from the Department of Civil Service will discuss: The variety of careers in Civil Service — How to navigate the Civil Service website — Information about applying for Civil Service examinations

See any of our counselors, or phone (631) 853-6600 to-day to reserve your spot!

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# CAREER QUEST



Explore Career Paths and embark on a new Career Direction.

## Starting Your Own Business

*Presented at the ...*

**Suffolk County One-Stop Employment Center**  
725 Veterans Memorial Highway, Hauppauge, NY 11788  
By the New York State Small Business Development Center

**WEDNESDAY... February 17, 2016**

PROGRAM STARTS PROMPTLY at 9:30 am

# JOB FAIR



**South Huntington Public Library**  
145 Pidgeon Hill Road,  
Huntington Station, NY 11746  
(631) 549-4411

**Wednesday, February 10, 2016**  
**10:00am – 1:00pm**

All are welcome! No registration required! Be sure to bring a copy of your resume, and dress to impress.

If you need help with your resume come to the Huntington opportunity Resource Center

If you need proper attire contact Career Couture (631)853-6769

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# JOB FAIR



*Presented by the Suffolk County One-Stop Employment Center*



**Friday**  
**February 26, 2016**  
**10:00am - 1:00pm**

**Sachem Public Library**  
150 Holbrook Rd, Holbrook, NY 11741  
(631) 588-5024

## INFORMATION FROM THE TOWN OF HUNTINGTON

### HUNTINGTON YOUTH WRITES:

## A WRITING CONTEST

For students who attend school in the Town of Huntington  
GRADES 4 THROUGH 12

**OVER \$2,000  
IN CASH PRIZES!**

Winning Entries will be Published - *Cash Prizes in each grade level (Grade levels 4-5, 6-8, 9-12)*

~POETRY ~ SHORT FICTION~ESSAY ~

Entries must be received by 5PM Friday, February 19, 2016

Submissions made after this time will not be accepted

Entry forms available at the Town of Huntington Youth Bureau

Room 200,Village Green Center, 423 Park Avenue, Huntington, NY 11743 631-271-5499 ~Entry forms also available on our website at [www.hybydri.org](http://www.hybydri.org) and at other local sites (schools, libraries, etc.)~

Project Excel is funded by the Town of Huntington Youth Bureau, the New York State Office of Children and Family Services, the Suffolk County Youth Bureau, fundraisers and private donations

**It's Never too late to get your TASC (formerly known as GED)!!!**



### Project Excel

Day and evening TASC (formerly known as GED) classes Available:

Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday Morning:10:00 AM — 1:00 PM

or Monday and Tuesday Evenings 5:30 PM — 8:30 PM

The course follows the Academic School Calendar.

**\*\*To enroll, please contact a Project Excel Counselor to complete a form.\*\***

Project Excel is located at The Village Green Center 423 Park Ave, on the 3rdFloor, Huntington, NY 11743. Any questions, please call (631) 271-5499

## Valentines Day the Town of Huntington Way



This is the 21st year that Town Clerk Jo-Ann Raia will be performing her Valentine's Day Marriage Ceremony "Marathon" on Sunday, February 14th in the Town Board Room. They transform the room into a wonderland for the couples to be wed. Local merchants are supportive of this event. Beautiful cakes, cookies, flowers and gifts, including one from Ms. Raia, help to make the event a festive one every year.

There is no charge to the couple for the ceremony and their guests are welcome to attend the reception.

For further information or if you would like to make an appointment, please call the Town Clerk's Office at 631-351-3216.

## INFORMATION FROM OUR PARTNERS



**HUNTINGTON  
TOWNSHIP**  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
SERVING THE GREATER HUNTINGTON AREA

### The Huntington Community Council

The mission of the Huntington Community Council is to provide a forum for the not-for-profit organizations of Huntington to join together for the purpose of mutual education, opportunity, cooperation, collaboration and celebration specifically dedicated to enhance the quality of life for all.

The council is made up of not-for-profit agencies serving Huntington and other Suffolk County areas in education, arts, health, and human service agencies. All members share a mutual interest in enhancing the visibility for not-for-profit organizations for their diversity, social value and economic strength in community. Interested? You can join for only \$25 annually. For more information, please contact Laura Menchyk at the Huntington Township Chamber of Commerce 631-423-6100.



#### What is Housing Help?

Housing Help Inc.'s mission is to help low and moderate income family's access safe, decent affordable housing; to help them develop financial skills in order to maintain their housing; to increase supply of low and moderate income housing' and to pursue fair housing goals.

Housing Help has eight FREE programs to help us achieve these goals:

First Time Home Buyer Counseling; Foreclosure Prevention Counseling; Credit Counseling; Tenant and Landlord Assistance; Huntington Interfaith Affordable Housing Loan Fund; Project H.O.P.E.; Seminars and Workshops; Matinecock Court

For further information on these programs call Housing Help Inc. at **(631) 754-0373**



## Find Out If You're Eligible for Snap!

Assistance is available for those who qualify!

Call the Island Harvest SNAP Hotline for a quick and confidential screening. Friendly staff can help assist in the application process—and you don't even have to leave the comfort of your own home!

Call Today at (516) 805-1642 or Apply Online at [MYBENEFITS.GOV](http://MYBENEFITS.GOV)



### Brush Up On Your Computer Skills

Join us for a workshop series focusing on Microsoft Office's essential applications. Presented by Mary Ellen Amundson, ITS project manager in the Office of Information Technology at St. Joseph's College, these workshops benefit all.

**Word:** Wednesday, February 17

**Excel:** Wednesday, March 24

**PowerPoint:** Wednesday, April 13

All workshops are from 6–7:30 p.m. and will be held at The LaunchPad, 315 Main St., 2nd Fl., Huntington, NY.

St. Joseph's College workshop **Brush Up On Your Computer Skills** will be held at The LaunchPad located in Huntington Village. Come brush up on Microsoft Word, Excel, or PowerPoint or brush up on all three!

Prices start at \$20 for one class \$45 for all three classes (must pay in advance) and if you are a high school or college student it's \$15 per class.

Reserve Your Spot Today! Call Cara Ryan at 631-687-8503 or by e-mail [cryan5@sjcny.edu](mailto:cryan5@sjcny.edu)

Young adult dating violence is a big problem, affecting youth in every community across the nation. One in three adolescents in the U.S. is a victim of physical, sexual, emotional or verbal abuse from a dating partner.

Help spread awareness by participating in the nationwide orange-out this February. Wear orange on February 9th and get as many people as you can to wear something orange in honor of Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month and promote respect and healthy relationships! Tell people why you are wearing it and post pictures and updates on social media using Hashtags #Orange4Love and #RespectWeek 2016.



**HUNTINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
AN INITIATIVE OF LEADERSHIP HUNTINGTON FOUNDATION  
AND HUNTINGTON TOWNSHIP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

# THE NOT-FOR-PROFIT ENTITY

- Types of Not-for-Profit entities
- Goals/Purpose
- Who "owns" a Not-for-Profit
- Changes to the New York State Laws
- Directors and Officers

## GUEST SPEAKERS



**BRIAN YUDEWITZ, ESQ.**  
VICE-CHAIRMAN,  
HUNTINGTON CHAMBER



**VITA SCATURRO**  
HUNTINGTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS/TREASURER

**THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2016 • 8:30 – 10 AM**

## THE HUNTINGTON OPPORTUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

1264 New York Avenue, Huntington Station (just south of the LIRR)

Please invite staff, board members, volunteers, and other not for profit agencies.  
RSVP: Laura Menchik at (631) 423-6100 or [Laura@huntingtonchamber.com](mailto:Laura@huntingtonchamber.com)

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## Huntington's Valentine's Day Newsletter Trivia

1. What state produces a majority of America's flowers?

- A) New York
- B) California
- C) Nebraska

2. What is the most popular way to say "be mine" on Valentine's Day?

- A) Chocolate
- B) Cards
- C) Flowers

3. What card company is the top selling company in America?

- A) Hallmark
- B) Blue Mountain
- C) American Greeting

\*Bonus question

Valentines Day is the largest card giving Holiday?

- A) True
- B) False

*Answers will be published in the week of February 16th electronic newsletter.*

*Good Luck!*

*Not on our electronic mailing list?*

*Send an email to [HuntingtonORC@HuntingtonNY.gov](mailto:HuntingtonORC@HuntingtonNY.gov) to get on our mailing list*





### **Town of Huntington Town Board**

Frank P. Petrone, Supervisor

Mark A. Cuthbertson, Councilman

Susan A. Berland, Councilwoman

Eugene Cook, Councilman

Tracey A. Edwards, Councilwoman

### **Huntington Community Development Agency**

Joan Cergol, Director

Bruce Grant, Deputy Director